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John Dingell, Chairman  
Energy and Commerce Committee  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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Rick Boucher, Chairman  
Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality  
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Chairmen Dingell and Boucher:

You recently asked several groups interested in climate change policy to respond to a litany of questions regarding legislation to address global warming. PSR is among those which contributed to the group letter recently submitted by the U.S. Climate Action Network.

We would like to add some additional comments particular to question 2. d. As you may be aware, PSR is opposed to any supports that would expand the utilization of nuclear power in this country. Therefore, we oppose the allocation of any allowances directly to nuclear power facilities.

Our opposition to nuclear power is longstanding and is reinforced by the public health threat that nuclear power creates, both in implementing the nuclear fuel cycle and in handling long-lived wastes. Attached please find a copy of a recent analysis of the hazards associated with nuclear power. Regardless of the limited emissions of greenhouse gases from the nuclear fission process, tons of greenhouse gases are emitted from the mining of ore to waste management activities associated with nuclear power.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment as the committee begins to consider legislative remedies to slow, stop and reverse climate change.

Sincerely,

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